

## 9 FAM Appendix C, MICRONESIA, FEDERATED STATES OF

(TL:VISA-451; 08-08-2002)

### RECIPROCITY

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Class	Fee	No. Applications	Validity
A-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	12 MONTHS
A-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	12 MONTHS
A-3 [1]	NONE	MULTIPLE	12 MONTHS
B-1	NONE	TWO	3 MONTHS
B-2	NONE	TWO	3 MONTHS
B-1/B-2	NONE	TWO	3 MONTHS
C-1	NONE	TWO	3 MONTHS
C-1/D	NONE	TWO	3 MONTHS
C-2	NONE	TWO	3 MONTHS
C-3	NONE	TWO	3 MONTHS
D	NONE	TWO	3 MONTHS
E-1 [2]	NO TREATY	N/A	N/A
E-2 [2]	NO TREATY	N/A	N/A
F-1	NONE	TWO	3 MONTHS
F-2	NONE	TWO	3 MONTHS
G-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	12 MONTHS
G-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	12 MONTHS
G-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	12 MONTHS
G-4	NONE	MULTIPLE	12 MONTHS
G-5 [1]	NONE	MULTIPLE	12 MONTHS
H-1B	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
H-1C	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
H-2A	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
H-2B	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
H-3	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
H-4	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
I	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
J-1 [4]	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
J-2 [4]	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
K-1	NONE	ONE	6 MONTHS
K-2	NONE	ONE	6 MONTHS
K-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS
K-4	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS
L-1	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
L-2	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
M-1	NONE	TWO	3 MONTHS
M-2	NONE	TWO	3 MONTHS
N-8	NONE	MULTIPLE	12 MONTHS
N-9	NONE	MULTIPLE	12 MONTHS
NATO 1-7	N/A	N/A	N/A
O-1	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]

O-2	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
O-3	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
P-1	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
P-2	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
P-3	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
P-4	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
Q-1 [6]	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS [3]
R-1	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
R-2	NONE	ONE	3 MONTHS
S-5 [7]	NONE	ONE	1 MONTH
S-6 [7]	NONE	ONE	1 MONTH
S-7 [7]	NONE	ONE	1 MONTH
T-1 [9]	N/A	N/A	N/A
T-2	NONE	ONE	6 MONTHS
T-3	NONE	ONE	6 MONTHS
T-4	NONE	ONE	6 MONTHS
TD [5]	N/A	N/A	N/A
V-1	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS
V-2	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS [8]
V-3	NONE	MULTIPLE	120 MONTHS [8]

## SPECIAL CLEARANCE AND ISSUANCE PROCEDURES

*(TL:VISA-214; 10-19-2000)*

Contact the U.S. Representative's Office in Kolonia, Information Department (CA/OCS/CCS/EAP), before amending or extending official or diplomatic passports. Only post file checks are made by the U.S. Representatives Office.

## DOCUMENTS AND RECORDS

### Police Record

*(TL:VISA-214; 10-19-2000)*

Available.

**Residents of Pohnpei State:** should write to the Public Safety Office, Kolonia, Pohnpei, Federated State of Micronesia (FSM) 96941.

**Residents of Kosrae:** should write to the Office of the Attorney General, P.O. Box 27, Lelu, Kosrae (FSM) 96944.

**Residents of Truk:** should write to the Public Safety Office, Moen, Truk (FSM) 96942.

**Residents of Yap:** should write to the Public Safety Office, Colonia, Yap (FSM) 96943.

### **Prison Record**

*(TL:VISA-214; 10-19-2000)*

Available. Request from same sources as listed under police record.

### **Military Record**

*(TL:VISA-214; 10-19-2000)*

Unavailable. The Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) is defended by the United States under the Compact of Free Association and there is no (FSM) military force. A number of (FSM) citizens, however, do serve in the U.S. Armed Forces, and will continue to do so under terms of the Compact of Free Association between the United States and the (FSM).

### **Birth Certificate**

*(TL:VISA-214; 10-19-2000)*

Available.

**Pohnpei:** Residents should write to the Pohnpei State Supreme Court, P.O. Box 1449, Kolonia, Pohnpei, (FSM) 96941.

**Kosrae:** Residents should write to the Kosrae State Supreme Court, P.O. Box 27, Lelu, Kosrae, (FSM) 95944.

**Truk:** Residents should write to the Truk State Supreme Court, P.O. Box 187, Moem, Truk, (FSM) 96942.

**Yap:** Residents should write to the Yap State Supreme Court, P.O. Box 308, Colonia, Yap. (FSM) 96943.

### **Marriage Certificate**

*(TL:VISA-214; 10-19-2000)*

Available. May be obtained from same sources as listed under birth certificate at the same fee.

## **Divorce Certificate**

*(TL:VISA-214; 10-19-2000)*

Available. A copy of the divorce order, rather than a certificate, is available from the same source listed under birth certificate at the same fee.

## **Death Certificate**

*(TL:VISA-214; 10-19-2000)*

Available. May be obtained from the same source as listed under birth certificate at the same fee.

## **Passport: Other Travel Documents**

*(TL:VISA-263; 04-18-2001)*

The Federated States of Micronesia is a Freely Associated State (FAS), under the Compact of Free Association with the United States, which took effect on November 3, 1986. The FSM previously was part of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (TTPI), a UN Trusteeship administered by the United States.

FSM citizens are not U.S. citizens or nationals. Citizens of the FSM (but not alien spouses or children), however, have unrestricted access to the United States to live, work, study and assume "habitual residence" with no visa requirement.

Naturalized citizens of Micronesia must have been an actual resident of Micronesia for not less than five years after attaining such naturalization and must hold a certificate of actual residence in order to be eligible for such access. Such residence does not confer the right to become an U.S. citizen. An FSM citizen can become a legal permanent resident, and thereby qualify for U.S. citizenship, only through meeting current Immigration and Nationality Act requirements

**FSM Government Passport:** The FSM Government issues its own passport. The regular passport has a light blue cover, is valid for five years and may be renewed for an additional five years.

**Official and Diplomatic Passport:** The official passport has a black cover. It has the same validity period as the regular passport. The diplomatic passport has a red cover and has an initial validity of four years and may be renewed for an additional four years. Diplomatic passports may, however, be issued for less than a four-year period.

**NOTE:** Any action regarding a FSM “official” or “diplomatic” passport should be cleared in advance with FSM officials. Post should, therefore, cable the U.S. Representative’s office in Kolonia, Information Department (CA/OCS/CCS/EAP), for advice as how to proceed.

**Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands Passport:** A small number of FSM citizens continue to bear Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (TTPI) passports, issued prior to November 3, 1986.

Both TTPI and FSM passports held by FSM citizens may be amended or extended at U.S. Foreign Service posts.

FSM citizens are not entitled to U.S. passports unless they qualify for U.S. citizenship under the relevant U.S. laws. TTPI passports are no longer issued to FSM citizens. The only FSM authority currently issuing passports is the Chief of Immigration in Kolonia, Pohnpei State. All applications from within or without the FSM must be sent to this official. FSM citizens seeking new or replacement FSM passports abroad must submit a letter, executed before a U.S. consular official or authorized representative. The letter, which functions as a passport application, is mailed to the Chief of Immigration, Kolonia, Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia 96941.

U.S. consular posts are authorized to issue a “travel letter of identity” on post letterhead for FSM passport applicants abroad who are awaiting receipt of a new passport. See 87 State A-45 for format.

All posts are requested to notify the Department of any action taken concerning amendment or extension of TTPI or FSM passport, or assistance provided regarding replacement of a TTPI or FSM passport, utilizing the CPAS Tags and the term “Passport Services to TTPI/FAS Citizens”.

**Certificate of Identity:** FSM immigration officials in all four states (Kosrae, Pohnpei, Truk and Yap) issue a “certificate of identity”, valid for six months, without charge to persons traveling only to the United States. This certificate is enclosed within a blue folder, 3 3/4 inches wide by 5 7/8 inches long when closed, with the seal of the FSM Government on the front. The certificate itself is a white piece of paper with “FSM Form 5012” in the upper left-hand corner, with the heading “Federated States of Micronesia, Office of the President, Kolonia, Pohnpei, Eastern Caroline Islands 96972. Attached is a photograph of the bearer. The certificate cannot be extended or renewed.

## **Visa Requirements for Entry into Micronesia**

*(TL:VISA-214; 10-19-2000)*

No visas are required for entry into the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM), although visitors should have valid passports. All visitors are automatically permitted to remain as tourists for 30 days after entry.

Non-U.S. citizens can extend the time up to 90 days from the date of arrival upon making form application to the FSM immigration department. If they wish to remain longer, however, they must apply to immigration for a change of status to one of the permitted foreign resident categories. A fee is imposed by the FSM for any change in visitor status, and the application process for obtaining the necessary entry and work permits can be lengthy.

U.S. citizens are permitted by FSM immigration authorities to stay in the FSM as tourists up to one year. If they want to stay longer or seek employment, they must apply for a specific entry and work permit and pay the fee imposed.

## **VISA ISSUING POST**

*(TL:VISA-214; 10-19-2000)*

Kolonia (E) NIV Only

IV applications for FSM citizens and aliens resident in the Federated States of Micronesia are processed by the U.S. Embassy at Manila, Philippines.

## **GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVICED**

*(TL:VISA-214; 10-19-2000)*

All of the Federated States of Micronesia, including Yap, Truk, Pohnpei (previously Ponape and Kosrae (Variant Kusaie) States.